

Allocating active power loss with network reconfiguration in electrical power distribution systems

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents a branch exchange (BE) based heuristic network reconfiguration technique where, the proposed bus classification strategy remodels dynamically as per the modified topology in order to provide a reconfigured network with minimum loss. Further, for fair allocation of the active power losses, it develops a new active power loss allocation (APLA) technique which eradicates the influence of cross-term analytically from loss formulation without any assumptions and approximations. The effectiveness of the proposed procedure has been investigated against other established methods using a 69-bus radial distribution network (RDN). The results of APLA achieved for original and reconfigured 69-bus RDN are found to be promising and judicious as regard to their load demands and geographical locations. The implementation of present reconfiguration procedure provides a total loss reduction benefit of 55.73% to the utility which highlights the significance of the developed procedure against other established techniques.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Electrical power distribution system (EPDS) is currently facing numerous challenges due to penetration of distributed energy resources (DERs) such as: energy storing devices, distributed generators (DGs) and power factor correction equipments at the consumer premises [1]-[3]. The penetration of DERs mainly causes reverse current in the network and thus, affects power loss of the EPDS. If power loss of a system increases, its efficiency decreases. One of the solutions to get rid out of this difficulty is to change the network topology i.e., implementation of proper network reconfiguration (NR) technique to achieve an optimal loss providing network. But, execution of NR alters the entire structure of the EPDS from the electrical point of view and simultaneously, brings another possibility to investigate the influence of NR on loss allocations (LAs) of network participants in this modern scenario of power distribution network.

Keeping this in view, a through literature review has been carried out on the established techniques relating to network reconfiguration and power loss allocation. It is verified, in most of the literature, NR [4]-[6] and LA [7] are considered broadly as two independent area of research still; very few works are identified where both of these have taken together. Oliveira et al. [8] were the first to execute reconfiguration and APLA together for EPDSs with distributed generators, where reconfiguration is carried out through a heuristic principle and power loss allocations with the implementation of a Z-bus technique. However, this

technique can not be suggested for practical implementation as it suffers from the demerits of the Z-bus scheme of allocation. This drawback is not found in [9], [10] where a BE based NR technique with quadratic LA methodology is utilised to award losses to the radial distribution network participants at both scenarios of the RDN (i.e., before and after NR). In [11], a branch current decomposition method as discussed in [12] is employed for allocation of power losses where a group search optimization technique is utilised to achieve the optimum solutions. Similarly, a minimum branch current based circular-updating mechanism is used for obtaining a reconfigured RDN in the proposed method [13]. To allocate losses judiciously among the consumers of the RDN, a current summation approach of LA has been discussed in [14] where the mutual terms of power loss equation are distributed among the consumers and DG owners using a logarithmic scheme of LA. However, this technique is only applicable when participation factors lie within {0-2}. The authors of [15]-[19] have recommended game theory-based procedures for APLA of EPDSs by utilizing the concept of Shapley value for sharing losses among the network users. But LA procedure generally solved by Shapley value technique faces difficulties of memory burden and time complexity when applied to larger RDNs. This drawback is not found in the discussed in [20] and [21] as they assign losses according to proportional sharing and power summation principles, respectively. Still, these methods are not awarding exact allocations as they are developed with certain assumptions. To overwhelm this problem the authors of [22] have introduced an exact scheme of LA by analyzing the interrelationship present between branch currents and their subsequent node voltages. The cross-term decomposition method (CTDM) developed in [23] distributes the mutual powers using loss allocation factors with a minimum error of 4% between the calculated and true value of DG remuneration. The node voltage-based algorithm developed in [24] provides exact allocations to the RDNs with/without DGs but, it says nothing about DG remuneration. This issue is solved by implementation of a participation-based DG remuneration scheme in [25] where the entire benefits of RDN loss reduction due to distributed generation units are provided to the DG owners.

Keeping above discussed points in view, this paper introduces a node voltage based APLA methodology in Section 2 where the impact of cross-term has been wiped out empirically from the power loss equation with proper mathematical formulation. The results of APLA are found to be proper as per load demands and physical locations of the end-users. The detail discussion on the algorithm of BE based NR technique is performed in Section 3. In Section 4, the loss allocation results as obtained for both base and reconfigured 69-bus RDN are compared with that of the other existing methods to show superiority of the present procedure in contrast to discussed established methods. Finally, the conclusive remarks are provided in Section 5.

2. LOSS ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY

This section contains two subsections. First part introduces the bus identification technique used in the entire formulation procedure while the second part discusses regarding the derivation of the developed loss allocation procedure. The entire formulation is carried out by utilizing optimal voltages as obtained through a forward-backward sweep (FBS) based power flow approach [26]. In order to incorporate DGs into the evaluation procedure, the negative load modelling of generators as discussed in [27], [28] can be implemented to get the net power injections, and with these values the load flow can be carried out further to get desired solutions.

2.1. Proposed bus identification scheme

In present strategy, the root node is indexed as '1' and the successive buses along the main and lateral feeders are numbered in the increasing order as shown in Figure 1. Here, three arrays (*sb[]*, *mfs[]* and *mts[]*) are proposed for keeping the entire information relating to subsequent buses of the RDN as discussed in [29]. The array *sb[]* is used for keeping the subsequent nodes of all the branches of the radial distribution network.

Two pointer arrays *mfs[]* and *mts[]* are utilised to store the initial and final memory positions of the successive nodes relevant to each branch of the RDN, respectively. The formations of these arrays are done by utilising input data of the RDN in MATLAB-R2018b environment.

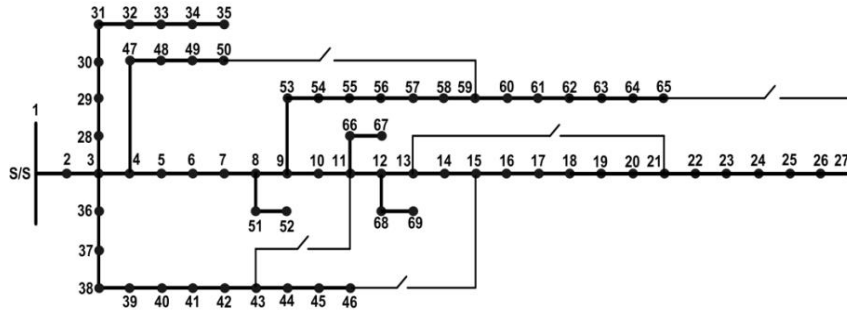


Figure 1. A sample 69-node test distribution system before NR

2.1. Formulation of the proposed APLA Method

The load current (LC) at any node- i with net complex power injection $S_{Li}=P_{Li}+jQ_{Li}$ and node voltage V_i can be evaluated as (1):

$$I_{Li} = \left[\frac{P_{Li}+jQ_{Li}}{V_i} \right]^* = \frac{P_{Li}-jQ_{Li}}{(V_i)^*}, \text{ for } i = 2, 3, \dots, nb \quad (1)$$

The current of any branch- jj can be estimated by addition of the LCs of the successive consumers (2)

$$I(jj) = \left[\sum_{i=sb(mfs(jj))}^{sb(mts(jj))} I_{Li} \right] \quad (2)$$

The current in a branch- jj can be further explained using equations (1) and (2) as (3),

$$I(jj) = \sum_{i=sb(mfs(jj))}^{sb(mts(jj))} \frac{P_{Li}-jQ_{Li}}{(V_i)^*} \quad (3)$$

Active power loss (APL) of any branch- jj can be estimated with branch impedance $Z(jj)$ and branch current $I(jj)$ as (4):

$$P_{Loss}(jj) = \text{Real}[\{|I(jj)|^2\} \{Z(jj)\}] = \text{Real}[\{I(jj)\} \{I(jj)\}^* \{Z(jj)\}] \quad (4)$$

The APL of the branch- jj can be presented in terms of sending end voltage (V_s), receiving end voltage (V_r) and the branch current $I(jj)$ as:

$$P_{Loss}(jj) = \text{Real} \left[\left\{ \frac{V_s(jj) - V_r(jj)}{Z(jj)} \right\}^* \{Z(jj)\} \{I(jj)\} \right] \quad (5)$$

$$P_{Loss}(jj) = \text{Real} \left[[V_s(jj) - V_r(jj)]^* \left[\frac{Z(jj)}{Z(jj)^*} \right] [I(jj)] \right] \quad (6)$$

Substituting the value of branch current $I(jj)$ from (3) in (6),

$$P_{Loss}(jj) = \text{Real} \left[[V_s(jj) - V_r(jj)]^* \left[\frac{Z(jj)}{Z(jj)^*} \right] \left[\sum_{i=sb(mfs(jj))}^{sb(mts(jj))} \frac{P_{Li}-jQ_{Li}}{(V_i)^*} \right] \right] \quad (7)$$

Rearranging,

$$P_{Loss}(jj) = \text{Real} \left[\sum_{i=sb(mfs(jj))}^{sb(mts(jj))} \left[\left\{ \frac{V_s(jj) - V_r(jj)}{V_i} \right\}^* \left\{ \frac{Z(jj)}{Z(jj)^*} \right\} \right] [P_{Li} - jQ_{Li}] \right] \quad (8)$$

Since, all parameters present in the first part of (8) are complex quantities, their solution will be a complex quantity. Thus,

$$\left[\frac{\{V_s(jj) - V_r(jj)\}}{V_i} \right] \left[\frac{\{Z(jj)\}}{Z(jj)^*} \right] = A(jj, i) + jB(jj, i) \quad (9)$$

The value of (9) mainly depends on V_i , as other quantities are constant for branch- jj . Hence, this expression is exclusively related to the subsequent node- i of branch- jj . Here, $A(jj, i)$ and $B(jj, i)$ represent the real and imaginary part associated with the subsequent node- i of branch- jj , respectively. Therefore, the equation of APL for the branch- jj can be stated as:

$$P_{Loss}(jj) = \sum_{i=sb(mfs(jj))}^{sb(mts(jj))} P_{Loss}(jj, i) = \sum_{i=sb(mfs(jj))}^{sb(mts(jj))} \{A(jj, i)P_{Li} + B(jj, i)Q_{Li}\} \quad (10)$$

It is realised from (10) that, the consumers beyond branch- jj of the RDN are liable for APL of the branch- jj , and therefore, it should be distributed among these customers. Thus, APLA at each bus ' i ' is evaluated as:

$$P_{Loss}(i) = \sum_{jj=1}^{nb-1} P_{Loss}(jj, i) \quad (11)$$

Thus, the entire loss of the EPDS is estimated as [28],

$$TP_{Loss} = \sum_{i=1}^{nb} P_{Loss}(i) \quad (12)$$

3. POWER DISTRIBUTION NETWORK RECONFIGURATION

The BE based NR technique mainly aims to provide an optimum network without disturbing radial nature of the system. It is generally performed through two steps. In first step, a closed loop is made by closing an open switch (i.e., tie line ' tl '), and then in the next step, the revival of radiality of the RDN is executed by opening a branch (i.e., sectionalizing switch ' ss ') within the closed loop. The selection of tie-line is performed by calculating voltage across all the tie lines. The ' tl ' with maximum potential difference (PD) is identified as the first tie line to be closed. Simultaneously, one branch is to be made open in order to retain radiality of the power network. For this purpose, the voltages of the two node points corresponding to the selected tie line are first measured. Then, the branch linked to the node point with low voltage is made open and total APL of the network is computed. If total APL of the newly obtained RDN is observed to be less than that of the basic RDN then, the next branch is marked to be opened. The same procedure is carried out till the power loss of the newly obtained RDN remains equal to that of the previous one. After getting the sectionalizing switch ' ss ' for the considered tie line ' tl ', the entire process is continued till the final optimal RDN is obtained. Thus, NR is performed from a set of switching data which is presented as (tl, ss) pairs. After each switching process, a new RDN is achieved. Therefore, the proposed arrays are to be modified as per the newly obtained RDN for verification of further switching operation. The detail algorithm of the proposed heuristic 'branch exchange' technique [30] is discussed thoroughly in subsection-3.1 for proper implementation and tested using a 69-bus test distribution system in subsection 4.1.

3.1. Algorithm of the proposed branch exchange based NR technique

The detail procedure of the NR method is presented below.

Step 1 : Compute TP_{Loss} of the RDN using equation (12).

Step 2 : The voltage across all tie lines (tl) are computed (i.e. $\Delta V_{tl}(i)$), where $i = 1, 2, \dots, Ntl$, and Ntl = total number of tie lines present.

Step 3 : Identify the ' tl ' whose voltage is the maximum, then assign a code ' n ' to it (i.e. $\Delta V_{tl, max} = \Delta V_{tl}(n)$). Point out the two ends of the ' n 'th tie line as ' k ' and ' w ' obeying the relation $|V_k| < |V_w|$.

Step 4 : The new ' tl ' is fixed to ' $tl = [k, w]$ ', and the adjacent branch of k^{th} node is marked as ' ss '.

Step 5 : Evaluate total power loss of the newly obtained network (i.e., $TP_{Loss_{new}}$) using equation (12)

Step 6 : Perform step 8 if $TP_{Loss_{new}} < TP_{Loss}$, otherwise go to step 7.

Step 7 : Perform step 11 after removing the switching.

Step 8 : Set $TP_{Loss} = TP_{Loss_{new}}$

Step 9 : Perform step 11 when it is checked for entire branches of the loop; else proceed to step 10.

Step 10 : Proceed to step 5 after assignment of both ' tl ' to $[k, w]$ ', and ' ss ' as adjacent branch of ' ss '.

Step 11 : Set $Ntl = Ntl - 1$, then proceed to step 2 if $Ntl > 0$ otherwise, perform step 12.

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This section comprises of two subsections. The first part explains about the entire solution procedure for obtaining the minimum loss providing reconfigured RDN using a 12.66 kV, 69-bus EPDS with 73 branches and 5 tie lines as represented in Figure 1. The corresponding line and load data of the said EPDS are collected from the discussed method [9]. The second part investigates the effectiveness of the present APLA scheme by analyzing loss allocation results of the considered RDN with other established methods (Quadratic method [9], Exact method [22], and CTDM [23]) at two scenarios (i.e., earlier and next to NR). The APLA results of the original and reconfigured network are presented in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively.

Table 1: Loss allocation of 69-bus test system before reconfiguration

Node No.	Proposed Method	Exact Method	Quadratic Method	CTDM	Node No.	Proposed Method	Exact Method	Quadratic Method	CTDM
6	0.0313	0.0279	0.0003	0.0225	37	0.0038	0.0035	0.0026	0.0034
7	0.8885	0.8558	0.2681	0.6699	39	0.0076	0.0073	0.0054	0.007
8	1.8132	1.7751	0.8831	1.3982	40	0.0076	0.0073	0.0054	0.007
9	0.7733	0.7501	0.1744	0.5804	41	0.0013	0.001	0.000023	0.0008
10	0.8647	0.8724	0.223	0.6878	43	0.0072	0.0068	0.0009	0.0049
11	4.8242	4.7455	4.227	4.1416	45	0.0477	0.0485	0.052	0.0495
12	5.4177	5.3329	5.1057	4.796	46	0.0477	0.0485	0.052	0.0495
13	0.322	0.3226	0.0208	0.2571	48	0.0633	0.0634	0.0126	0.044
14	0.3518	0.3523	0.026	0.2817	49	1.1273	1.1252	1.1515	1.1332
16	2.1534	2.1924	1.1631	1.8417	50	1.2447	1.2407	1.2687	1.25
17	2.735	2.9203	1.854	2.4513	51	0.9639	0.9581	0.2912	0.7372
18	2.7356	2.921	1.8546	2.4519	52	0.0893	0.0857	0.0012	0.0659
20	0.0472	0.0498	0.0002	0.0383	53	0.1337	0.1237	0.0023	0.0928
21	5.932	5.8621	6.0041	5.5837	54	0.8602	0.8432	0.1461	0.5937
22	0.2655	0.2702	0.0107	0.2119	55	0.9073	0.8919	0.1257	0.5954
24	1.4698	1.4496	0.5344	1.2051	59	9.4569	9.4061	3.0178	5.349
26	0.7393	0.7293	0.1291	0.5913	61	138.2015	138.2765	180.0178	162.7689
27	0.7397	0.7296	0.1295	0.5917	62	3.5806	3.5728	0.3777	1.815
28	0.0011	0.001	0.0003	0.0009	64	25.9941	26.0191	13.5632	16.3692
29	0.0021	0.0021	0.0016	0.0021	65	6.7922	6.8061	1.3817	3.5751
33	0.0098	0.0097	0.0087	0.0093	66	0.6025	0.5909	0.1	0.4726
34	0.0217	0.0215	0.0254	0.0237	67	0.6026	0.5909	0.1	0.4726
35	0.0069	0.0071	0.0026	0.005	68	1.0558	1.0414	0.3144	0.8499
36	0.0012	0.0011	0.0004	0.001	69	1.0558	1.0415	0.3144	0.8499

Table 2: Loss allocation of 69-bus test system after reconfiguration

Node No.	Proposed Method	Exact Method	Quadratic Method	CTDM	Node No.	Proposed Method	Exact Method	Quadratic Method	CTDM
6	0.0075	0.0068	0.0002	0.0063	37	0.6934	0.0138	0.0056	0.5266
7	0.2081	0.2041	0.1498	0.1921	39	0.6514	0.036	0.0129	0.4911
8	0.4211	0.4199	0.4513	0.4129	40	0.6516	0.0363	0.013	0.4912
9	0.1777	0.1755	0.0998	0.1614	41	0.0394	0.0073	0.0001	0.0264
10	0.2501	0.2561	0.1228	0.2216	43	0.1887	0.0524	0.0028	0.1299
11	1.4401	1.4394	2.0081	1.5662	45	1.2046	0.38	0.1979	0.9053
12	1.6572	1.6567	2.2939	1.824	46	1.2496	0.3803	0.198	0.9657
13	0.0906	0.0922	0.0103	0.073	48	0.1588	0.1607	0.0215	0.071
14	0.0912	0.0928	0.0116	0.0737	49	3.2086	3.1442	1.8286	1.7343
16	0.4178	0.775	0.433	0.3591	50	3.3764	3.6917	2.101	2.113
17	0.6723	1.1693	0.7599	0.6024	51	0.2249	0.2278	0.1626	0.2108
18	0.6741	1.1708	0.7606	0.604	52	0.0209	0.0204	0.0008	0.018
20	0.0146	0.0219	0.0001	0.0117	53	0.0277	0.026	0.0014	0.0235
21	2.065	2.6319	2.9018	1.9028	54	0.1596	0.1592	0.0823	0.1454
22	0.0928	0.1235	0.0041	0.073	55	0.1463	0.1463	0.0694	0.1329
24	0.5859	0.697	0.2339	0.4647	59	3.7735	3.8377	0.4991	1.0739
26	0.3679	0.3963	0.0567	0.2756	61	61.4561	63.2574	71.2625	64.0852
27	0.3821	0.4038	0.0573	0.2876	62	1.1901	1.6275	0.0574	0.3214
28	0.0011	0.0011	0.0003	0.0008	64	8.1462	7.7787	11.0675	8.8005
29	0.0021	0.0021	0.0016	0.0019	65	1.661	1.8768	1.1726	1.6458
33	0.0098	0.0097	0.0087	0.0092	66	0.1807	0.1801	0.0568	0.1538
34	0.0217	0.0216	0.0254	0.0236	67	0.1807	0.1801	0.0568	0.1538
35	0.0069	0.0071	0.0026	0.005	68	0.3305	0.331	0.1647	0.2799
36	0.6856	0.0018	0.0006	0.5217	69	0.3306	0.3311	0.1647	0.2799

4.1. Solution Steps for obtaining reconfigured optimum 69-bus RDN

It can be viewed from Figure 1 that the five tie lines i.e., 50-59, 27-65, 15-46, 13-21 and 11-43 of the considered 69-node RDN are primarily present in the open state condition. At this scenario, the present LA procedure awards a total loss of 225.0016 kW which is almost near to the result of other established methods (i.e., 225.0015 kW by exact method, 224.9517 kW by Quadratic method, and 224.1507 kW by CTDM method). The PD across all the 5-tie lines are calculated, and maximum amount is observed across 50-59 since the difference in voltage is found to be $|V_{50}-V_{59}|=0.0694$ p.u. Therefore, a loop is made with the help of 'tl = [50,59]'. But, in order to make the network radial, one branch of this loop is to be opened. As voltage of node-59 ($V_{59} = 0.9248$ pu) is less than that of bus-50 ($V_{50} = 0.9942$ pu) i.e., $V_{59} (0.9248 \text{ p.u.}) < V_{50} (0.9942 \text{ p.u.})$, the 'ss = [58,59]' is identified to be made open before functioning of the 'tie line 50 – 59'.

But, at this condition, the total APLA of the restructured network is observed to be 132.1583 kW. Since there is a reduction in total APLA, so investigation is carried out for branch 57-58. However, power loss for the RDN with opening of the branch 57-58 is evaluated to be 132.1583 kW (no deviation). Thus, the 'tl = 50 – 59' is finally identified for the 'ss = 58 – 59'. The similar procedure is followed further for rest of the tie lines to get the optimum RDN. The PD across the remaining four tie lines are computed and maximum difference is observed at 'tl = 27 – 65' i.e., $|V_{27}-V_{65}|=0.0362$. Since $V_{65} (0.9349 \text{ p.u.}) < V_{27} (0.9711 \text{ p.u.})$, the branch 64 – 65 is first made open by closing the tie line 27 – 65. It is noticed, the total APLA of the system again decreases to 128.7273 kW with this restructured network. It is noteworthy to observe that total loss further decreases to 127.52 kW as the branch '63 – 64' is made open by closing '64 – 65'. However, it retains previous value of 127.52 kW as is estimated for '62 – 63'. Therefore, the branch '27 – 65' is identified as the tie line while the branch '63 – 64' is designated as the sectionalizing switch.

Since, potential difference of branch '15 – 46' (i.e., $|V_{15}-V_{46}| = 0.0383$ p.u.) is found maximum against the rest 3-lines, the branch connecting node points 15 and 46 is selected to be closed. As potential of node-15 ($V_{15} = 0.9601$ pu) is noticed to be less than that of node-46 ($V_{46} = 0.9984$ p.u.), the branch 14-15 is considered to be opened. This leads to a drop in total APLA to 99.66 kW. From above observation, the loop branch '14 – 15' is identified to be opened with respect to the tie line '15 – 46' because, the opening of the branch '13 – 14' enhances RDN loss to 99.7390 kW.

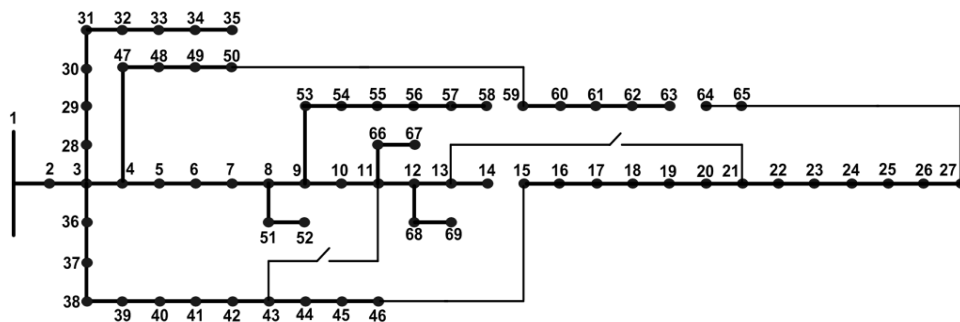


Figure 2: A sample 69-bus test distribution system after NR

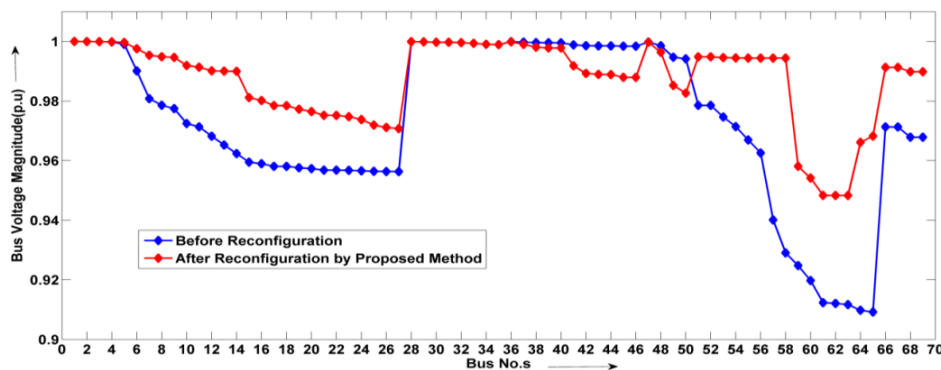


Figure 3: Voltage profile of the 69-bus RDN before and after reconfiguration

Likewise, the responses of other 2-tie lines are also verified in the similar manner and in each case, the total APLA is observed to be higher than that of 99.66 kW and thus, excluded from further consideration. For checking of these 2-tie lines two load flows are to be carried out. Hence, total '10' power flow calculations are to be performed to get the optimal restructured RDN as shown in Figure 2. The total APLA of the modified 69-bus Figure 2 is found to be 99.5946 kW by the present APLA scheme which is very close to the results of other existing methods.

4.2. Analysis on loss allocation results

The total APLAs of the original and reconfigured 69-bus RDN are found to be very close to 225 kW and 99.59 kW respectively by all the discussed methods. Hence, proposed approach of LA is contemporary and comparable to other existing methods. As system loss has decreased from 225 kW to 99.59 kW, a total profit of 125.41 kW has been provided to the utility by the present scheme due to NR. It can be observed from Figure 3, before NR, minimum voltage is assigned at node-65 (i.e. $V_{\min}=V_{65}=0.9092$ p.u.) whereas three nodes ($V_{\min}=V_{61}=V_{62}=V_{63}=0.9483$ p.u.) are allocated with minimum voltages of 0.9483 pu after NR. Also, it can be identified the improvement in voltage profile is better after reconfiguration than that of before NR. CTDM and Quadratic method allocate large amount of loss to the customer at bus 61 while an adequate amount of loss is assigned by the proposed procedure.

Exact method awards equal amount of loss to the highly demanded customer at bus 61 as that of the proposed method. To test competence of the developed technique as regard to their physical locations, two types of customers with equal demands but situated at different position in the network are identified. It can be viewed from Figure 4(a) that before NR, the discrepancy of APLA between two close nodes 36 and 37 of equal demands is the highest by the proposed method as compared to other discussed methods.

After NR, Exact method shows better result against other techniques but a moderate APLA is noticed by the present procedure. Further, it can be realised from Figure 4(b) which represents the difference in APLA between two distance nodes 10 (close to the substation bus) and 28 (far away from the substation bus) that the performance of the proposed and exact procedure are very close to each other at all conditions of the network. These two procedures show better result as compared to other two methods. Out of other two techniques, CTDM provides better LA against Quadratic scheme. However, LA by proposed approach is found to be prominent in contrast to other discussed methods at both before and after reconfiguration of the network. Hence, it can be suggested in practical field of application for efficient and reliable management of smart power systems.

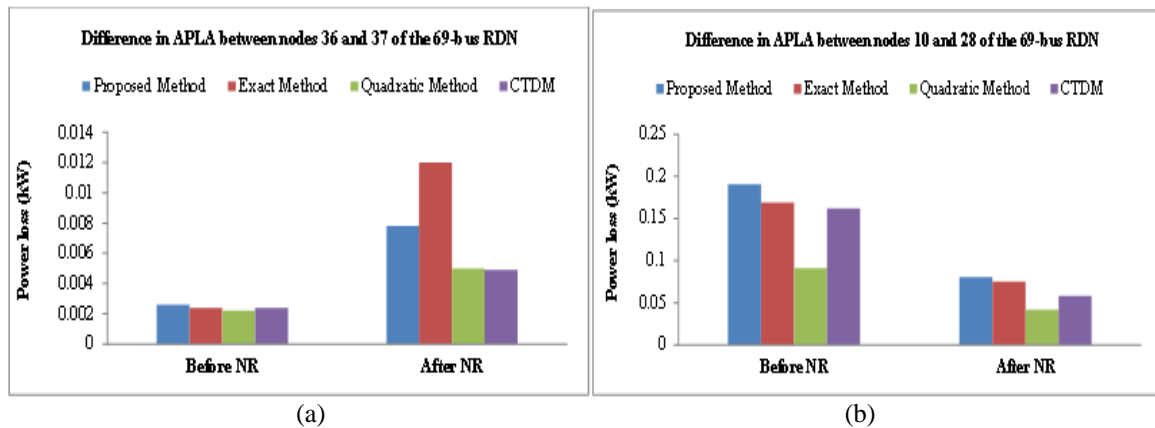


Figure 4. (a) Difference in APLA between nodes 36 and 37; (b) Difference in APLA between nodes 10 and 28

5. CONCLUSIONS

This paper presents a comparative analysis on RDN loss allocation with respect to network reconfiguration. The branch exchange based heuristic approach of NR provides efficient results as compared to other techniques discussed. The developed APLA scheme is found to be free from the influence of cross-term of power loss equation. Hence, loss allocations are promising as regard to their load demands and geographical locations. The proposed loss allocation (LA) method is developed without any assumptions and approximations which can be treated as major advantage of the present procedure for fair loss allocation. The

efficiency of the present procedure has been verified against other existing techniques using a 69-bus RDN. The results of APLA are found to be proper as per load demands and physical locations of the end-users. Further, to test efficiency of the developed procedure in a restructured power environment, a BE based NR technique is implimented here for achieving a minimum power loss providing RDN. As a judicious distribution of active power loss is noticed at all the load points hence, can be considered for practical implementation.

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